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Office Action Summary

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Applicant(s)

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Examiner

Roy Teller

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 27 February 2004.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 9-89 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☒ Claim(s) 9-16, 18-39 and 67-80 is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 17, 40-66 and 81-89 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☒ Claim(s) See Continuation Sheet is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

- 1) ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) ☒ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date 10/04.
- 4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date. _____.
- 5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
- 6) ☐ Other: _____.

Continuation of Disposition of Claims: Claims objected to are 11-13,15,16,23-25,27,28,33-35,37,38,42-44,46,47,51-53,55,56,60-62,64,65,69-71,73,74,83-85,87 and 88.

DETAILED ACTION

This office action is in response to the continuation, received 2/27/04.

Claims 1-8 are cancelled.

Claims 9-89 are pending.

Information Disclosure Statement

The information disclosure statement, received 10/19/04, is acknowledged. A signed copy is enclosed hereto.

Claim Objections

The specification and claims are objected to for failing to adhere to the requirements of the sequence rules. Applicant must append SEQ ID NO's to all mentions of specific sequences in the specification and the claims. See 37 CFR 1.821(d).

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112

The following is a quotation of the first paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112:

The specification shall contain a written description of the invention, and of the manner and process of making and using it, in such full, clear, concise, and exact terms as to enable any person skilled in the art to which it pertains, or with which it is most nearly connected, to make and use the same and shall set forth the best mode contemplated by the inventor of carrying out his invention.

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Claims 17, 40-66, and 81-99 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph, because the specification, while being enabling for inhibiting tumor growth of small cell lung carcinoma, inhibiting G.I. acid secretion and inhibiting growth release hormone, does not reasonably provide enablement for inhibiting G.I., pancrease, colon, prostate or breast tumors, treating motility disorders of the G.I. tract, suppressing amylase release, treating cancer cachexia, or treating artherosclerosis. The specification does not enable any person skilled in the art to which it pertains, or with which it is most nearly connected, to make the invention commensurate in scope with these claims.

In this regard, the application disclosure and claims have been compared per the factors indicated in the decision *In re Wands*, 8 USPQ2d 1400 (Fed. Cir., 1988) as to undue experimentation. The factors include:

- 1) the nature of the invention;
- 2) the breadth of the claims;
- 3) the predictability or unpredictability of the art
- 4) the amount of direction or guidance presented;
- 5) the presence or absence of working examples;
- 6) the quantity of experimentation necessary;
- 7) the state of the prior art; and,
- 8) the relative skill of those skilled in the art;

Each factor is addressed below on the basis of comparison of the disclosure, the claims and the state of the prior art in the assessment of undue experimentation.

The claimed invention is drawn to methods of inhibiting tumor growth which comprises administering an effective amount of octapeptide bombesin analogs.

The breadth of the claims is excessive with regard to claiming methods of treatment comprising

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inhibiting G.I., pancrease, colon, prostate or breast tumors, treating motility disorders of the G.I. tract, suppressing amylase release, treating cancer cachexia, or treating arteriosclerosis.

Applicant has only provided guidance for methods of inhibiting tumor growth of small cell lung carcinoma, inhibiting G.I. acid secretion and inhibiting growth release hormone. Applicant have provided no guidance of any other methods of treatment as claimed, as evidenced by the absence of working examples of claiming methods of treatment comprising inhibiting G.I., pancrease, colon, prostate or breast tumors, treating motility disorders of the G.I. tract, suppressing amylase release, treating cancer cachexia, or treating arteriosclerosis.

In absence of evidence to the contrary, it would not be predictable to the artisan which pathologies could be treated with these peptides

In consideration of these factors, it is apparent that there is undue experimentation because of a variability in prediction of outcome that is not addressed by the present application.

Absent factual data to the contrary, the amount and level of experimentation needed is undue to practice the invention as claimed.

Conclusion

Claims 9-16, 18-39 and 67-80 are allowable. Claims 17, 40-66, and 81-89 are rejected.

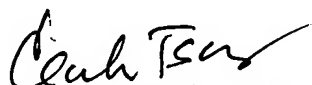
Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Roy Teller whose telephone number is 571-272-0971. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday from 5:30 am to 2:00 pm..

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Cecilia Tsang, can be reached on 571-272-0562. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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